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TO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, IR

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PAN AM ACCESS TO BOMBAY

REF: (A) TEHRAN 4691 (B) TEHRAN 4045 (C) STATE 095737

(D) STATE 069666

1. MFA NOTE (REF B) REQUIRES NO INTERPRETATION. ARTICLE  
12 (B) OF THE AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT PROVIDES THAT:  
"MODIFICATIONS TO THE ROUTE SCHEDULE SHALL BE AGREED  
BETWEEN APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES  
AND SHALL COME INTO FORCE AFTER AN EXCHANGE OF DIPLOMATIC  
NOTES." US NOTE (REF D) PROPOSED AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES  
TO MODIFY THE ROUTE SCHEDULE, SUBSTITUTING BOMBAY FOR  
CALCUTTA IN FOOTNOTE 1. MFA REPLY (REF B) DOES NOT  
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ACCEPT THIS MODIFICATION, STATES OBJECTION TO MODIFICATION  
"IN PRINCIPLE" BUT AGREES TO DISCUSS DURING CONSULTATIONS  
TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED LATER THIS YEAR UNDER ARTICLE 12 (A).  
IN DEPT'S VIEW, WHAT IS NEEDED IS NOT INTERPRETATION OF  
MFA NOTE BUT RATHER REPRESENTATION BY EMBASSY REQUESTED  
IN REF C TO PERSUADE GOI TO ACCEDE TO THIS MODEST U;  
REQUEST.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: IN VIEW OF LATENESS OF HOUR, AND PAN AM HOPE TO COMMENCE FLIGHTS BY JULY 1, EMBASSY SHOULD TAKE THIS MATTER UP IMMEDIATELY AT HIGHEST POSSIBLE LEVEL REQUIRED TO GET IMMEDIATE ACTION ON SUBSTITUTION OF BOMBAY FOR CALCUTTA. EMBASSY SHOULD NOTE IN ITS REPRESENTATIONS THAT USG AGREED TO TALKS WITH GOI IN MARCH BUT THAT MEETING WAS CANCELLED BY GOI. THIS MATTER WOULD HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED HAD THE TALKS BEEN HELD. DEPT FEELS RECENT GOI ACTIONS IN INCREASING CAPACITY WITHOUT FOLLOWING PROPER PROCEDURES IS A SERIOUS ISSUE. TO ADD ANOTHER ARBITRARY ACTION WILL NOT IMPROVE THE ATMOSPHERE OF TALKS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR LATER THIS YEAR. GOI FAILURE TO DEAL POSITIVELY WITH WHAT IS ESSENTIALLY A TECHNICAL CHANGE, CONVEYING NO MORE THAN THE RIGHTS ALREADY GIVEN UNDER THE BILATERAL WHICH PERMITS US DESIGNATED AIRLINES TO SERVE TWO POINTS IN INDIA FROM TEHRAN, IS BUT ANOTHER PETTY ACTION DESIGNED TO CREATE COMPLICATIONS, NOT TO SOLVE THEM, THE EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE KNOWN USG CONCERN AS FORCEFULLY AS POSSIBLE.

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